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Letters From All Parts Reach the Provincial Bureau of Information

SALVATION ARMY'S ENTERPRISE
Commissioner Coombs Exchanges Views With Employers of Labor in Victoria

Frank I. Clarke, who is supervising the work of the Provincial Bureau of Information during the absence of R. M. Palmer, states that he is in receipt daily of an average of twenty communications from the eastern states, eastern Canadian points, and, in fact, all points of America, asking for information in regard to British Columbia. For the most part these do not come from individuals but are forwarded on behalf of a small colony, ranging from twenty to one hundred in size, anxious to immigrate and to find out something definite about this country before making a move.

Most of these letters are exceedingly interesting, especially to those who recognize the importance, in the interests of British Columbia, of desirable settlers being obtained. For instance, one written by the Canadian government agent at Great Falls, Montana, reads in part as follows: "As a colony of us are thinking of going into British Columbia to look for a location we decided to write to you for any information you could give us as to climate, rainfall, length of seasons, homestead laws and where the best unsettled land was to be found for mixed farming."

Another from Pergus county, Montana, reads as follows: "Would you be so kind as to send me literature pertaining to land in British Columbia, especially government land. We are making up a colony for immigration. We want good country for mixed farming."

Before Commissioner Coombs, of the Salvation Army, left Victoria he had a private conference with a number of the largest employers of the city. He outlined the scheme of immigration as carried out by the organization with which he is identified. The Victorians explained the condition of affairs here and, in all probability, the result will be the diversion of a considerable number of those who will be brought to Canada next summer to this city.

FROM THE WEST COAST.

Steamer Queen City, Capt. Townsend, reached port yesterday from Ahousah, Clayoquot and was ports of the Vancouver Island coast, with a dozen passengers, and 3,000 cases of salmon from Barkley Sound. The steamer also brought the remains of Capt. L. W. Rose, in his lifetime master of the barkentine Skagit, lost near Clooose on October 25 last, when bound from San Francisco to Puget Sound. The body was recovered by Dr. Locant, fireman, and some Indians and taken to Clooose. Tug Lorne was sent on two occasions for the body, but it could not be brought off owing to heavy weather, and the coasting steamer was also unable to secure it on her last two or three trips. W. J. Hanna will send the body to Seattle, where the widow of Capt. Rose resides. It is stated to be the intention of Mrs. Rose to have the body cremated and the ashes scattered into the sea off Cape Flattery, in accordance with the wish of the deceased. The Queen City will sail again tonight for the West Coast.

REAL ESTATE MARKET.

Deal in Acreage at Cadboro Bay—Fort Street Business Property Sold.

Yesterday was comparatively quiet in local real estate circles. Although the agents were active, there were not as many sales reported as heretofore. Leaning & Co. sold twenty acres of land between Cadboro Bay road and Oak Bay avenue, the sum involved in the transaction being \$28,000. It was purchased by a Winnipegger, who, visiting the city and becoming charmed with its environment, as well as the possibilities of an investment proving profitable in the light of the outlook, took advantage of the opportunity to obtain control of several important properties.

The old "Scotch House" property, upon which A. Peden, the tailor, has a long lease, also was sold yesterday through the B. C. Land & Investment agency, for a sum approximating \$20,000. Major Jones has purchased the house with a lot and a half owned by T. W. Sterling, on Belcher street, next to the property belonging to Judge Lampman. It cost him \$6,500. Dr. D. B. Holden obtained a permanent residence and office in the property of the late Marcus Bandy. The latter building, a two-story brick, stone-faced building, and was built a few years ago by Thomas & Glover. It will be altered and improved before Dr. Holden takes possession.

Some acreage which is expected to

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sell readily has been placed on the market. It is the block adjoining the North Dairy farm. This has been subdivided into five and ten acre plots of land. The soil is admirably adapted for fruit growing and general farming.

Two lots on Yates street have been purchased by W. J. Hanna, but the amount involved has not been divulged. Another lot on Belcher street has been bought by a Winnipeg investor. It was sold by P. M. Henderson, and the deal was put through by Heisterman & Co. "Katholm," the pretty residence until yesterday owned by Herbert Kent, has been procured by Mr. McCallum of Winnipeg. The amount involved is not stated.

CAUGHT TWO WHALES.

Orion Tows Two Humpbacks to Whaling Station.

The steam whaler Orion of the Pacific Steam Whaling company, captured two whales on Wednesday, according to advices received by the Queen City yesterday. Both were humpbacks. They were towed to the station at Sechart where both were being reduced to whale oil, fertilizer, etc.

Capt. Spratt Balcom, who has been in Ottawa to secure another lease for a second whaling station to be established on the west coast of Vancouver Island, presumably at Nootka, is expected to leave the capital tomorrow for Victoria.

Capt. R. Balcom, who recently purchased the steam whaler St. Lawrence, of similar model to the Orion, at St. John's, Nfld., has been advised by cable from Montevideo of the steamer's arrival there on Nov. 24. The steamer is expected to arrive in a few days. A letter from Cape Rowe, dated from Cape Verde, says the first part of the voyage was rough, but the little vessel sustained no damage.

PORT RENFREW MILL.

B. F. Graham Lumber Co. to Erect Small Auxiliary Plant at Once.

Charles F. Betterton of the B. F. Graham Lumber Company, which recently took over the Monarch Logging Company's plant at Port Renfrew and has decided to erect a large saw and shingle mill similar to the establishment of the Sutton-Trading & Lumber Co. at Mosquit Harbor, Clayoquot, returned from Port Renfrew yesterday by the steamer Queen City.

To a Colonist reporter Mr. Betterton said his company had decided to build a big mill, cutting both lumber and shingles. The operations carried on by the Monarch Lumber Company, whose plant was taken over, have been suspended for a few weeks. Work will be resumed shortly, though, to get out timber for the mill.

Owing to the difficulty of getting machinery, it is not expected that the proposed mill will be established before the beginning of June. Long before that time, however, a small plant will be in operation to cut the lumber for the building of the larger mill. This will be the first work—to establish a small sawmill at Port Renfrew. The capacity of the big mill has not been fully decided, but it is expected it will cut 150,000 feet daily.

Arrangements will be made for the direct shipment of cargo lots, similarly to what is proposed for the Clayoquot mill. Wharves will be built and vessels loaded at Port Renfrew.

COLLIERS BUSY ON SAN FRANCISCO RUN

Teams Stand All Night Waiting for Cargo From Steamer Titania

There is much demand for coal at the Vancouver Island ports, and the steamers carrying cargo have had of late to book places at the bunkers long in advance of their coming. Yesterday the steamer Jethu, lumberladen at Portland, passed up to load at Comox; and the steamer Quito returned from Comox yesterday morning to proceed with cargo from Tacoma for Shanghai.

At San Francisco the demand for British Columbia coal has been so great that extra steamers were hurriedly taken up to carry cargoes to the Bay City. The Titania and Tordenskjold were supplemented by the Hercules and Shella. The Examiner of Tuesday says of the demand at San Francisco:

"Six thousand tons of coal were brought here by the Norwegian steamer Titania on Sunday, and yesterday a sufficient amount of it had been discharged from the vessel to start the work of filling the orders of the local retail dealers. When the word was sent out that the coal would be ready for delivery Monday morning the wagons of the dealers were in line long before daybreak. The line of teams extended from the yards at Steuart and Harrison streets along the former street to Polson and thence along that thoroughfare west for several blocks. As rapidly as possible the wagons were loaded with coal, and as soon as they were hauled away there were others to take their places. At dark yesterday the long line had not been diminished, and the drivers made arrangements to spend the entire night in the line."

"The coal brought by the Titania is the first to arrive here in a week. The boat will be discharged in about three days, but by that time the British steamer Shella will have arrived with another 6,000 tons."

"James Smith of the Western Fuel Company said yesterday in regard to the coal famine: 'The Titania with the cargo of 6,000 tons will relieve the situation somewhat in this city, but there are calls from interior points. We are doing our utmost to respond to the demands for coal. The Norwegian steamer Hercules has been chartered and she will leave British Columbia in time to reach this port Friday or Saturday. She carries about 6,000 tons. The steamer Tordenskjold is in the north and should leave for this port with a cargo in the latter part of next week. With these cargoes we expect that the market will be well supplied.'"

YEAR'S WORK AMONG FARMERS' INSTITUTES

Instructive and Interesting Report Presented to Government by A. Elliott

Andrew Elliott has submitted an exceedingly favorable report on the year's work among the Farmers' Institutes of British Columbia. It has been forwarded to J. R. Anderson, the deputy minister of agriculture, and is as follows:

Dear Sir—Agreeable to instruction, I would beg leave to report to your department regarding judging and Farmers' institute work done during the term just closed.

Five years have elapsed since I last judged live stock and attended institutes in British Columbia, and during that time I notice a marked improvement in the live stock exhibit. Particularly is this the case in horses. In the draft classes many animals were shown that would have taken an inferior place in any show in America. There is a tendency in some cases to glorify size in opposition to quality, that ought above all things to be avoided. An exceedingly good representative of the hackney horse was shown; a more general use of such a stallion would in a few years add tens of thousands to the horse value of the country.

Cattle, both beef and dairy breeds, show that they have been bred with judgment and fed and cared for in such a manner as to lead to the highest development in their respective lines.

I notice that in sheep there has been a great improvement in the breeding type and in the quality of the wool.

Here also show marked improvement, and several exceedingly good representative herds were shown. Every endeavor should be made to induce farmers to use only pure bred sires in breeding all kinds of live stock, and of still further making exhibits more educative in their character by judges explaining type and reasons for their awards.

British Columbia is easily foremost in the Dominion as regards the manner in which her fruits are packed and put on the market; in the near future, if she grasps the opportunity, she will have undisputed control of the market of the Northwest, as well as retaining and extending her hold of markets across the Pacific as an outlet for the product of her orchards.

In Farmers' institutes, Miss Rose and myself attended thirty-four meetings, holding at several places two meetings, and in spite of excessive rain, darkness and mud, we had a wonderfully good attendance. I found a much more acute interest in institute work since I last attended meetings in the

BELIEVES CITY COULD BE MADE WINTER RESORT

John Arbuthnot Suggests Attractions Such as California Provides

Looks for a Big Movement in This Direction Within the Next Two Years

Indoor sea bathing and other attractions such as California provides, would be the opinion of John Arbuthnot, ex-mayor of Winnipeg, who is now a permanent resident of this city, make of Victoria a resort that would be just as attractive in the winter as it is in the summer time to the people of the world in general, and those of the Dominion prairie provinces in particular.

Mr. Arbuthnot returned this week from Winnipeg, accompanied by his family, and will shortly take up residence at Hobble, Rockland avenue, the beautiful home he purchased some weeks ago.

In addition to providing attractions for the winter months, the citizens should, Mr. Arbuthnot thinks, make every effort to provide desired accommodation for visitors who contemplate spending some time in the city. He believes that many people whose homes are on the cold prairies, could be induced to spend the greater part of the winter here if they could find comfortable apartment houses in which to take up temporary residence.

"There is considerable talk in Winnipeg about Victoria," said Mr. Arbuthnot, "and I expect to see a large movement in this direction within the next two years. The general opinion is that Victoria is a good place for the man with money to invest. I do not contemplate a big boom, but rather a steady increase, which will be of more benefit to the city than a speculative boom. Regarding his lumber mill interests in Nanaimo, Mr. Arbuthnot said he had not been in the Coal City since his return; but he had learned that everything was going along smoothly."

In regard to the difficulty of shipping, he said he did not think there would be any great trouble in arriving at a settlement. At present it was impossible for us to load at the mills, and all the lumber had to be handled two or three times. This naturally took considerable time and made the expenses much greater. "All we require," said he, "is right of way to our mill, so that the railway company may extend its line, under an act of Parliament, to the mill. The council of Nanaimo has taken the matter up, and a by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers asking them to give us the right of way requested. If this is granted we will be in a position to handle the lumber much quicker and cheaper than at present."

TELLS OF INTEREST IN WINNIPEG

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 6.—Hugh Macqueen, a well known hockey player, broke his leg last night while playing at the Auditorium rink.

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PROBABLE SENATORS.

Halifax, Dec. 6.—A rumor is current here today that the government will immediately fill the two vacancies in the Senate for this province by the appointment of B. F. Pearson, M.P. for Colchester, and Dr. Kendall, M.P. for Inverness county.

INJURED MAN DIES.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—John B. Frost of New York, aged 75, a guest at the Palmer House here, had a fainting fit and fell against his bed a few days ago, breaking several ribs. He did not recover from the shock and died today.

KILLED ON I. C. R.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 6.—F. White, a sectionman, was struck by the Intercolonial express near Moncton this morning and crushed to death. A blinding snowstorm was raging and White failed to see or hear the train approaching.

WILL CHANGE SCHEDULE.

Indianapolis Will Leave at 4:30 p. m. Instead of 6 p. m.

Steamer Indianapolis will commence running on a new schedule on Sunday, leaving here at 4:30 p. m., instead of 6 p. m., as at present. The steamer will arrive at the same time as formerly. Steamer Princess Beatrice, which is to commence service on the following Saturday, the 15th, will leave here at 8:30 a. m. daily, and will arrive at 6 a. m.

OLD MAN SUFFERS.

Walks From Ottawa to St. John, N. B., and Encounters Storm.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 6.—Thomas Dickerson, aged 77, was found by the police in the streets this morning, poorly clad and almost perished. He was taken to police headquarters. He left Ottawa, he said, seven weeks ago and walked to St. John. In the last few days of his journey he encountered the severe snowstorms which have been raging around here, and almost perished. He is a watchmaker by trade and carried his outfit, doing odd jobs en route to earn money to buy food, but not enough to travel on trains.

STRIKES SUBMERGED MINE AND FOUNDERS

Russian Steamer Varyagin Carries Over 200 to Death Near Vladivostok

Details concerning the loss of the Russian volunteer steamer Varyagin, which struck a floating mine near Vladivostok and was blown up, causing the drowning of over 200 persons, have been received from Vladivostok. Translations from the Ussuriskaya Zhizn state: The steamer was en route to Gogouz Bay, and after leaving Vladivostok was driven north by a gale. The mine field was about four miles off Cape Manchuria the stern struck a submerged mine. The forward part of the vessel, drawing ten feet, passed over the mine without touching it. The mine exploded immediately upon contact, and the catastrophe was so sudden that no boats could be got out or step taken to save passengers.

A panic resulted. From the moment of the explosion until the complete destruction of the vessel not more than 90 seconds elapsed. Of the entire complement of 250 passengers, 47 were saved, the remainder perishing. Of the crew of 23, 14 were saved. Several Chinese junkies arrived about 30 minutes after the disaster and began to rescue half frozen persons who were scattered about on wreckage over an area of four hundred yards.

Many families were left entirely destitute at Vladivostok because of the loss of parents in the disaster. A number of prominent Russians were among the lost.

FATAL EXPLOSION.

One Man Killed and Three Others Injured in the Munsey Mine.

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 6.—As a result of the explosion of fourteen boxes of blasting powder in the twenty-first level of No. 8 shaft of the Munsey mine last night, William Congin, a miner, is dead, Dennis Shea is fatally injured and Jack Handy and John Sullivan are seriously injured. Forty men were in the shaft at the time of the explosion and many were overcome by gas. They were taken from the mine through No. 6 shaft by rescuers. The explosion did not do much damage to the mine workings.

REAR ADMIRAL DEAD.

New York, Dec. 6.—Rear Admiral Peter Asserson, U. S. N., retired, died suddenly at his home in Brooklyn today. He was 66 years of age.

RAILWAY BILL CAUSES ANIMATED DEBATE IN HOUSE

Maximum Passenger Fare of Two Cents Per Mile Is Asked

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—(Special)—An animated discussion took place in the House today on Maclean's bill to amend the Railway act. It proposes to bring telegraph and sleeping car companies under the jurisdiction of the railway commission, to make a maximum passenger fare on railways of two cents a mile, and to compel an interchange of business by telephone companies.

The bill was ultimately referred to the railway committee. R. L. Borden intimated that if the measure did not pass he would move a resolution that the Railway Commission be asked to report whether or not passenger tolls should be reduced to two cents a mile.

Hon. Mr. Lemieux announced that the government was working on a scheme for the transmission of express matter through the mails on the C. O. D. basis. It is also proposed to extend the letter carrier system to certain towns of the Dominion.

In answer to Ralph Smith, Mr. Lemieux gave the details of the settlement of the Lethbridge coal strike.

PATRIOTISM IN CALGARY.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 6.—A Canadian Club is being formed in Calgary to encourage study of history, arts, literature and resources of Canada, much on the lines of the Winnipeg club.

FROM THE ORIENT.

Kaga Maru and Empress of Japan Expected Shortly From Japan.

Steamer Kaga Maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, which left Yokohama on Nov. 28, is due tomorrow or Sunday, with 131 passengers, and a full cargo, of which 300 tons of general freight will be landed at this port. R. M. S. Empress of Japan is due on Monday, having sailed from Yokohama on Thursday last, Nov. 30, with 40 passengers and 100 steerage. Of these 25 are to be landed at Victoria. Steamer Ceylon Maru, now loading at Seattle, will sail for the Orient on Tuesday. Steamer Athenian, of the C. P. R. fleet, left Hongkong on Nov. 28, and will leave Yokohama today for this port, being due on Dec. 21.

ARE TO NOMINATE LABOR CANDIDATE

Action Decided on at Meeting Last Evening of Newly-formed Party

At a well attended meeting of the newly-formed Labor party, held last evening, it was decided to nominate candidates for the forthcoming provincial election. The number to be placed in the field has not yet been determined. At the organization is receiving the support of the labor unions, it is predicted that those nominated will make a creditable run.

A strong resolution was passed protesting against the influx of the Sikhs. The majority of those present expressed themselves strongly in reference to this matter. Copies of the views of the Labor party as embodied in the aforementioned motion will be forwarded to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. Wm. Templeman, and Alphonse Verville, M. P.

The action of Mr. Verville in introducing an eight-hour bill was debated and endorsed unanimously.

After considering other matters of minor importance, the meeting adjourned.

Organize in Royal City

New Westminster, B. C., Dec. 6.—A local branch of the Canadian Labor party was formally organized at a meeting of labor men held in the Eagles' hall last evening, when the workingmen's aid of politics was discussed and debated until the proper amount of enthusiasm had been aroused to warrant the making of a nation that would introduce a third factor in the ranks of local politics. The motion was made by E. Turnbull, seconded by L. P. Williams and carried unanimously. Steps were immediately taken to carry out the resolution, and after the meeting had adjourned, several local labor unionists signed their names to the application for the charter which is to be the official recognition of the formation of the new branch of the Labor party.

WILL LEARN ABOUT RUSSIA.

Krasnoyarsk, Siberia, Dec. 6.—The Yudin collection of 80,000 volumes on Russia, one of the most extensive in existence, has been purchased for the congressional library at Washington.

CONSPIRATORS ARRESTED.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Dec. 6.—A widespread conspiracy against the government has been discovered here, and several arrests have been made. Quantities of arms were found in the houses of the persons taken into custody.

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OPENS ARGUMENT FOR RESPONDENTS

Continuation of Appeal Case of City vs Esquimalt Water-works Company

QUESTION OF POSTING NOTICES

Counsel Urges That Corporation Had No Authority to Claim Any of Company's Holdings

Esquimalt Water Works Co. vs. Victoria.—Argument in this appeal was continued before the full court yesterday, Mr. Luxton, K. C., Mr. Peters, K. C., and Mr. R. T. Elliott appearing for the respondent company.

Mr. Luxton, K. C., opening for the respondent company, submitted that the corporation had no authority whatever to post the notices of their application on the company's land; the company under their act of incorporation, own the land and the waters upon them absolutely, and the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897, does not apply.

The Chief Justice—Why then trouble yourself about the form of the notices at all?

Mr. Luxton referred to section 8, 9 and 10 of their 1885 act, which gives them power to supply water anywhere on their lands between the springs or sources of supply and the points where the water is distributed in Esquimalt.

Then the word "vest," referred to in section 8, does not bear the restricted meaning given to it by the counsel for the corporation. This is apparent from the way the word is used in another connection at the end of the section, and if it were intended that the word should have that restricted meaning when applied to the water, and not when applied to the other property of the company, the legislature would have defined it accordingly.

Section 12 of the act deals with the purposes to which the water may be applied; it regulates the use and distribution "for all purposes," instead of being limited to supplying domestic needs. In fact, long ago, when the company were using only the Thetis lake supply, they furnished water to operate a Pelton wheel at the naval yard at Esquimalt.

The corporation seek to record water which the company by its works has stored, after collection, in reservoirs.

The Chief Justice—No; water which you allow to escape; it is not under your control. The strongest argument which I can see in your favor is the contention that this water has been granted to you; that it goes with the land. If the waters mentioned in section 10 mean something more than waters reduced into possession, then it means the streams. Waters which have been ascertained and set out, it speaks of. The section speaks not only of the land, but of the waters, and some meaning must be given to the term water, it seems to me.

Mr. Justice Irving—That, to me also, is the strongest argument which I have heard yet for your side. You must show that you are entitled to prevent anyone from recording the water which you have allowed to escape from those reservoirs into the bed of the stream again.

Mr. Luxton—We have done everything we can possibly do in the direction of ascertaining and setting out the waters. We are entitled to rely not only upon our statute, but upon our common law rights. Having acquired these lands, we have put ourselves in possession of them and the waters upon them.

The Chief Justice—As a matter of fact, have you acquired the entire bed of Goldstream river?

Mr. Luxton—Yes; we have; also the whole source of these lakes in the Malahat district. The company disputes the statement that they have acquired the Goldstream waters for the purpose solely of supplying power to the Tramway company. As a matter of fact, the evidence shows that Thetis lake supply was insufficient, and in 1892 the company had to look elsewhere for water to meet their requirements. It was expected at that time that the Indian reserve would be laid out, and that there would be a resultant influx of population. Then as to the status of the Tramway company, their works are on the Water company's pipe line; they are occupants within the meaning of the statute, and the company is not only entitled, but bound to supply them. The acts of 1892 and 1873 gave the city no rights to the waters of Goldstream.

The Chief Justice—This act of 1892 would seem to refer to waters not used;

it seems to cut off all dormant rights; and unless you can show that you have under your act something in the shape of a grant, you are apparently in the same position as other companies which have not made use of their privileges.

Mr. Luxton—Not the intention of the legislature was that, after April, 1892, when that Water Privileges act came into force, any company which wanted to get power, or incorporate for the purpose of maintaining water or electrical works, could only do so by virtue of this act, but it did not interfere with any company incorporated by special act or otherwise before the coming into force of the 1892 act. Section 2 of the act shows that clearly. The city's position was not extended by either the 1892 or the 1897 act; there is nothing in that statute to prevent companies already incorporated of the title to or the use of the waters which they had acquired. The water dealt with was water, he submitted, on the public domain.

The Chief Justice—There is a distinction between the man who owns water and the man who has a right to divert water. This act seems to intend to sweep away the rights of the non-user. Now you have to show that you have a grant, and the strongest argument in your favor, as I have said before, is the presence of the word "water" in section 10. It looks to me, subject to what is brought out in argument, as if that was a grant of waters to the city.

Mr. Luxton—I have authorities on that point.

The Chief Justice—It surely does not require any authority to show us that the legislature can grant waters. The point is, has it done so?

Mr. Luxton—We submit that it has; our rights are saved, as we hold rights granted prior to the passing of the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897, and there is nothing in that act to take our rights from us. The water in question now before the court is not unrecorded water within the meaning of the 1897 act. There is no water in the stream except in winter; therefore the application of the city is not a bona fide application under section 44. They cannot put themselves in possession of a supply of water for municipal purposes if the water is not there. The water going down there now is not recordable water, because it is water stored up artificially by the company, who, being owners of the watershed, have the right to store and keep all the waters of that area. In fact, if they chose, they could divert that water in an entirely different way, and allow none of it to flow down the stream bed.

Then a portion of this watershed comprises the E. & N. railway belt, which was Dominion property, and the province has control over it and the right to grant it away, or grant the waters on it.

The Chief Justice—I suppose the province could not expropriate any land there for the purposes of a school house.

Mr. Justice Irving—The land was not withdrawn from the power of the legislature in general, or from the administration of justice.

Mr. Luxton—They cannot touch that subsidy.

Mr. Justice Irving—I suppose even the Game act does apply to it.

Mr. Luxton—The city under the act of 1873 have no power over Goldstream. What was contemplated by the act was one watershed, and although they had a certain area set out in the act, they chose to erect those works at Elk lake. Therefore they have exhausted their rights.

Mr. Justice Irving—Section 6 of the act of 1892, I should think, disposed of your argument that the lands exhausted their rights under the act of 1873.

Mr. Peters, K. C., on the same side—There is no authority for the city to go to Goldstream and prevent the company forever from carrying on their works according to the requirements of the district which they have to supply under the terms of their act. To deprive the company of all the water that now remains there would be to say that the company shall never improve or be able to enlarge their operations when the requirements call for it.

Mr. Bodwell—We are not asking for any such thing; we are merely asking for the right to apply to the chief commissioner for a record.

Mr. Justice Irving—And the chief commissioner will adjudicate upon your application.

Mr. Peters—By the statute of 1885 and 1892 the company had a right to go to Goldstream and appropriate all the waters there. That right had to be exercised by their in some way becoming the owners of the property, owners of the waters and the lands. When they had appropriated those waters, the company became the absolute owners of them, and they were vested in the company so that neither the city nor anyone else, except those entitled under old statutes, could take one drop of that water. The company has a statutory grant of those waters. Having that grant, neither the Water Privileges Act of 1892 nor the Water Clauses Act of 1897 interfere with it; as a matter of fact they do not interfere with it.

As to the meaning to be given to the term "vest," as used in the 1885 statute, the cases cited by Mr. Bodwell all refer to instances where an understood restricted meaning was given to the word; that in all cases where a limited control only is given over the prop-

erty in dispute. In the present case, absolute ownership is plainly intended.

Then, appropriation and use are not one and the same thing. The company appropriated these waters long ago, and all at once; they acquired all the watershed from the source of supply to the sea. The building of reservoirs by the company was not the act of appropriation; it was merely an incident in making use of the lands for the company's purposes.

Mr. Peters then dealt at some length with the interpretation of statutes in connection with the present case, particularly as to when a general statute derogates the rights conferred by a special statute.

As to the intention or effect of the Water Privileges Act of 1892, it was a mistake to suppose that the idea was to obviate the non-user of water privileges or the locking up of public water, as at that time there were but five companies in existence with water privileges by special statutes, and there was only one of these companies which was making use of its rights. The Esquimalt company not only has riparian rights by virtue of acquiring the title of previous holders or owners, but they have a parliamentary title to these waters. Further, admitting that the city had the rights under the 1873 act to go to Goldstream, they did not do so; the company went there first, and therefore the rights of the city, wherever they were, are gone.

The company's works are not intended for present needs, but for those of the future. It is incumbent upon them as a water company to look out for the future, and the rights which have sprung up in the Esquimalt district, and which have to be supplied by the company. It is only a pessimist who will say that it is unlikely that that section will become a hive of industry with the growth of the country, and then the demands on the company will be enormous; they must be left in a position to meet these demands; that is what they have invested and are spending their money for, as well as earning profits.

In any event, even supposing the company are traveling outside of their statutory powers, it is not the city who may complain, but some person injured, or the legislature; perhaps the attorney general. The question is, not what cause has the city to complain but has the company acquired these rights wrongfully or illegally?

The rights of the city of Victoria are not rights of appropriation but of expropriation, and if they choose to expropriate the right, the value they would have to pay would be the value at the time they exercise that right, not the value before the company took over and improved the lands by conserving the water and erecting works.

The court then rose until this morning, when Mr. Peters will conclude his argument.

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COAST PIONEER IN PRAISE OF VICTORIA

H. H. Dearborn, of Seattle Predicts a Great Future for Capital City

It would be difficult to find anyone with greater confidence in Victoria's future or a more profound admiration for the natural scenic and climatic beauties of the place than H. H. Dearborn, of Seattle. He is one of "the old guard," having arrived on the Pacific coast in the early days, and having been personally acquainted with many of the local pioneers who have since died. Mr. Dearborn remembers Victoria when it was little more than a Hudson Bay post. Although he took up his residence in Seattle, he has been in the habit of visiting Victoria at frequent intervals for the past thirty years. He invested heavily in the Sound city and is now worth more than a million dollars but, despite his success in Seattle, he still retains his love for Victoria and predicts a splendid future for it. He maintains that prosperity of a substantial character is bound to come, that the present activity is an indication that it is on its way, but that

the most sanguine do not yet realize the extent of the development that will take place during the next ten years.

Real Estate Values

Mr. Dearborn has just returned from a tour of the world. He enjoyed the trip immensely but, although he saw many things which could not be seen in this locality, his opinion that this part of the northwest would ultimately become the centre of the eyes of the commercial world was only confirmed. In conversation with a Colonist reporter he said that the talk which he heard on the streets to the effect that high prices were being asked for local realty were ridiculous. He believed that not half enough was asked for property in the light of the possibilities of the future. Continuing, Mr. Dearborn dilated on the splendid location of Victoria, of the advantages she possessed, through her position alone, in the struggle that was about to ensue for the trade of the Orient. He thought that with ordinary enterprise on the part of the merchants and the citizens generally the city could not help but bound ahead as soon as the development of the shipping trade commenced in earnest. British Columbia, Mr. Dearborn said, was not yet exploited to any extent, the great bulk of her resources were known to be lying dormant. Right on Vancouver Island there was room for a tremendous advance industrially and otherwise and Victoria might naturally expect to benefit directly and indirectly from the forward movement which would have to start sooner or later. And then, the city was close to the American side, an advantage which it would not do to overlook.

Future is Assured

"But aside altogether from the commercial aspect of the situation," Mr. Dearborn added, "you have a future assured because of the attractions of the city to the average American tourist. Hence the general attractions, nature had already endowed British Columbia's capital so liberally that it would be almost impossible for the corporation to make a very material improvement. Of course amusements could be provided for those induced to come here to spend the summer months but he thought that all would acknowledge that the climate and scenery alone rendered a trip to this part of the west worth while.

Praises Tourist Association

Mr. Dearborn seems most enthusiastic at the work being done by the Victoria Development & Tourist Association. He says that he has heard Victoria spoken of quite frequently in different parts of America. There was no doubt that the stream of travel was being directed towards Vancouver Island and he thought the enterprising and energetic advertising campaign which had been carried on by the local organization mentioned was entitled to the credit of

the growing importance of Victoria in the eyes of the transient public. As an appreciation of the work of the organization Mr. Dearborn handed Secretary Cuthbert a check for \$100 yesterday afternoon.

In a few words, Mr. Dearborn is delighted with the activity of being displayed in Victoria and at the prospect of a steady advance in the future. He also is pleased to see that Victorians are awakening to the possibilities of their city as a tourist centre and believes that with proper aggressiveness it can be made the recognized summer and winter resort of the Pacific northwest.

"Westward Ho!"

"The people of the east and middle states as well as those of the northwest are turning their eyes towards the land of the setting sun" was the somewhat picturesque way in which Dr. Ernest Hall epitomized the impression he received in the course of an extensive tour from which he has just returned. The doctor spoke in the same optimistic terms of the future of the Canadian West, particularly that section bordering on the Pacific coast, as did Mr. Dearborn. Dr. Hall states that in the course of his trip through the northwest he found that Victoria was discussed everywhere. It was apparent that the trend of travel was westward and that a considerable influx to British Columbia might be expected during the next few years.

Dr. Hall affirms that one visiting the most congested centres of the eastern states cannot but conclude that the West will be invaded by large numbers of newcomers. The general movement was in this direction and his opinion was that the advance all along the Pacific coast could not be stopped. He looked for a continuance of the present prosperous times and for marked expansion of trade and population in Victoria.

GARRISON AUGMENTED FROM QUEBEC FORCES

Two Lieutenants and 25 Non-commissioned Officers and Men Coming West

Failure to recruit the garrison at Work Point to the required strength has resulted in the despatch of 25 non-commissioned officers and men and two lieutenants from the Quebec citadel to augment the artillery arm of the local garrison. The draft will leave Quebec on Tuesday next and is expected to arrive the following Monday.

The total strength of the garrison at Esquimalt at present is 105 men. The required strength is over 300. The work is being carried on with difficulty, the smallness of the force at disposal, especially in the artillery service, handicapping the work. The men are drilled weekly under Capt. Williams and have occasional route marches, and under the superintendence of Master Gunner Mulcahey keep the armament of the fortresses, and the electrical connections, etc., in condition.

The foundation stone of St. Stephen's Episcopal Mission, Crescent street, Greenock, was laid by the Very Rev. Dean Hutchison.

IS LARGEST MINING DITCH IN AMERICA

F. M. Ruffner, of Atlin Tells of Big Mining Enterprises in Northern Camp

"The mineral output of Atlin for the past season has been much larger than any year since the camp was discovered, and we are looking for a further increase every season from now on," was the statement of F. M. Ruffner, general manager of the North Columbia Gold Mining company, operating on Pine creek, a Colonist reporter last evening. Mr. Ruffner arrived from Atlin by way of Seattle, and is registered at the Driad hotel. He says the population of Atlin is not as large as formerly, as the individual miners are gradually leaving the camp, but the larger companies are doing more work, and their output is increasing every year.

In response to an inquiry as to the total output, Mr. Ruffner said he preferred not to make a definite statement, but it was a fact that the output this season was greater than ever before. He said, "The work that has been done by our company during the past year has already expended about \$500,000 on the plant. That is, we have put that much extra capital into the plant along with all we have taken out of the creek; and we have now got an up-to-date equipment. We have done the same thing from which Pine creek takes its rise. When we first commenced we only had about 4,500 miners' inches of water, but now that we have clocked the lake we can secure a supply of 13,000 inches.

"We are now constructing a ditch which will carry all the water we can use, which will greatly facilitate our work. When completed, this will be the largest mining ditch in America. There are larger irrigation ditches in California, but none that are used for mining purposes can surpass the one that we are doing. There is a slight difficulty about the question of our rights, but I am not afraid to take our chances on the mining laws of British Columbia. They are good ones, and if a person desires to live up to them he will have no difficulty in doing so. That is what we are doing, and we do not fear the outcome of the fight that is being made against us.

"With the increased water supply we will be able to do much more work than in the past, and we will anxiously await the final cleanup. The Spruce Creek mine, owned by the Guggenheims, and the McKee company have all done well. The advent of the Guggenheims into Atlin helped considerably to put the district before the public.

"We intend next year to further increase our plant, and we will not be content till we realize that we have a plant that is entirely adequate. During the season we have employed about thirty men and have kept them working continually.

Mr. Ruffner will remain in the city for several days before proceeding East. ON AND AFTER DEC. 9, ST. INDIANAPOLIS WILL LEAVE VICTORIA AT 4:30 P. M. THE AFTER-NOON.

INITIAL SUCCESSES OF FRUIT IN LONDON

First Display Made at Chiswick in 1904—London Broker Incrcaulous

It is ascertained from Hon. R. G. Tatlow, minister of agriculture, that the first display in England of British Columbia fruit was made at Chiswick in October, 1904. It consisted of thirty-one boxes of apples, and was awarded a gold medal.

On October 18, 1904, thirty-five boxes of apples, exhibited at the Royal Horticultural society's show in London, was awarded a gold medal. A further exhibit of forty-five boxes shown at the Royal Horticultural society's colonial fruit show, on Dec. 12 and 14, 1904, was also awarded a gold medal.

The contributors to these exhibits were: Thos. G. Earl, Lytton; the Coldstream Ranch, Vernon; Stirling & Pittman, Kelowna; and J. C. Gartrell, Summerland.

In 1905 a much larger exhibit was sent to England; it consisted of 191 boxes of fruit, and this year's exhibit consisted of 649 boxes—a full carload.

In connection with the matter of the recent victory of British Columbia fruit over all competitors in London, the editor of the Colonist is in receipt of the following letter:

Sir—Appropos of the gratifying announcement that the province's display of apples has, for the third time in succession, won the gold medal at the Royal Horticultural society's annual exhibition of colonial fruit, it may be of interest to recall a conversation which I recently had in this connection with Mr. Turner, our agent-general, in London. Mr. Turner told me that shortly after our first win, one of the leading brokers of the Covent Garden market called to see him with a view to satisfying himself whether the fruit was really the product of British Columbia, or a scratch collection of the best from various sources, the latter being his impression, apparently. It took Mr. Turner a whole afternoon during which he showed the doubting even document in his office bearing on the matter, before the broker was finally convinced that the fruit in question was the bona fide product of this province.

Having arrived at this conclusion, the broker (I don't know his name) stated that when we were in a position to ship apples to the Old Country, he was of opinion that the London market would take all we could send, and pay the best price for the same.

I think, Mr. Editor, that the foregoing should be not only an encouragement to those who had already laid out orchards, but also an inducement to others who can afford to wait a few years for substantial returns, to do likewise.

J. K. WORSFOLD.

FRIENDLY HELP SOCIETY.

Donations During November—Christmas Arrangements.

The Friendly Help society assisted twenty-eight families in November; five had milk daily, ten had groceries, eleven had bedding, and ten had clothing. Donations in cash were very thankfully received from the city, A. Friend, J. E. Painter, Mrs. Moore, G. J. Bagshawe, Miss Blackwood, Mrs. Goodacre.

Mrs. C. F. Todd sub. for November and W. F. P. sub. for November and December. Miss Blackwood collected by card \$1 and Miss Willisworth \$3.40. Donations in clothing were thankfully received from Mrs. Anderson of Henry Street, Mrs. Cathcart, Mrs. W. D. McDougall, Mrs. Jeffs, Mrs. W. W. Wilson, Mrs. Simonds, Mrs. Wilkins, Mrs. L. E. Simpson, Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. A. Friend, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. O. Jacobson, no address, Mrs. Heisterman, clothing and a sack of potatoes.

Arrangements were made for the usual Christmas work of the society. Each needy family in the city will be supplied with a box of groceries and Christmas supplies, and with articles of clothing. It is hoped that the citizens will respond in the same bounteous way as in previous years, in thus sharing with those who otherwise would be without them, the good things of this festive season. Donations of cash, clothing and groceries of all kinds will be thankfully received. The rooms of the society, in the second floor of the Market building, will be open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday preceding Christmas, Dec. 19 to 21, to receive donations. A single mattress is needed by the society.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA FRUIT IN GREAT BRITAIN.

It may be accepted as established that a market can be secured in the United Kingdom for British Columbia fruit. This is a matter of exceedingly great importance, and a brief review of the facts leading up to it will be timely. The first display of fruit from this province in any considerable quantity in that country was at Chiswick in October 1901. It consisted of thirty-one boxes, and was awarded a gold medal. On October of the same year, thirty-five boxes of apples were shown at the Royal Horticultural Society's Show in London, where they attracted great attention and their value was recognized by a gold medal. In the following December an exhibit of forty-five boxes was displayed at the Royal Horticultural Society's Colonial Fruit Show, with the same gratifying success. The contributors to these exhibits were: Thomas G. Earl, of Lytton; the Coldstream Ranch, Vernon; Stirling and Pitcairn, Kelowna, and J. C. Gartrell. Satisfactory as these results were they could hardly be called commercial exhibits, but Mr. Tatlow, Minister of Finance and Agriculture, who was in England at the time, was so fully satisfied with the appearance of the fruit and the impression created by it, that in 1905 a much larger exhibit was sent. It consisted of 191 boxes of fruit, and although it was delayed en route it captured a gold medal. This inspired the minister to make a shipment that could properly be classed as commercial, and he sent forward this year 649 boxes, or a full car load. It was carried east by the Canadian Pacific, and shipped across the Atlantic in cold storage on board their palatial steamer Empress of Ireland. We have already had the pleasure of chronicling the result. This shipment is representative practically speaking of all the fruit-growing sections of British Columbia, now occupied by orchardists, and it establishes, not only that a market can be found in the United Kingdom for our fruit, but that every part of the province, where fruit is grown, can contribute to the supply of that market. It also shows that the means of transportation are such that fruit from the Pacific Coast can be delivered upon the tables of consumers in the United Kingdom, in such prime condition that it can hold its own in comparison with that produced in the British Isles or anywhere else in the world. Therefore not only is Central Canada our market, but the whole of Western Europe, for it is just as easy to deliver our fruit in first class condition in Berlin as in London. All that remains to be done is to grow sufficient of the right quality to supply steadily a market, which is practically without limit in its capacity for consumption.

Too much stress cannot be laid upon the questions of quality and quantity. Unless the fruit sent to the United Kingdom for sale is up to the samples sent for exhibition, a promising opening for profitable business will be speedily closed, because dealers will regard the samples sent, even although they filled a car, as exceptional in character, and not such as can be supplied regularly in commercial quantities. As to the quantity, this is of great importance. If a demand for British Columbia fruit is created, our orchardists must see that the supply is equal to it. By this we do not mean that as much fruit must be sent forward as can possibly be sold, but only that it must be sent to a sufficient amount to make it worth while for dealers to handle it. If these points are properly covered, there seems to be no reason why a great and profitable business should not be done.

The advantage of the demonstration of the fruit-growing possibilities of the province can hardly be overstated. Fruit-growing is one of the most attractive businesses in the world, and if it once becomes generally known that there is scope in this province for the prosecution of this industry on a large scale, we may reasonably look for a very great influx of people ready to engage in it. Fruit farming means intense farming, that is it means the derivation of a large amount of profit from a small area. Hence it means comparatively small farms. Hence it means a thickly settled country. Hence it means plenty of employment at pleasant labor. Hence it means the immigration into the province of people of at least some small means and of a very desirable class. In every way an established reputation as a fruit-growing country is of the greatest value to the province.

We are very sure that no one who reads this article will refuse to assent to the statement that the Hon. Mr. Tatlow, through whose instrumentality the province has obtained such a good record in this matter, deserves the cordial thanks of the entire community. He had the sagacity to see a line of action in which he could be very useful, and he followed it. We are also certain that he would not like us to say this unless we went further and added that the success, which attended his efforts, has been due in large measure to the intelligent and enthusiastic co-operation of the officers of his department, specially charged with such matters.

THOSE PROSECUTIONS.

We do not know who is prompting the proceedings that led up to the prosecution of Johns Bros. and P. P. Watson for unlawfully selling intoxicating liquors, but we do know that the proceedings are of a character calculated to bring all attempts to promote the cause of temperance into contempt. Let us take the case of Johns Bros. as a typical one. Here is a firm of respectable business men, whose conduct as merchants and as citizens has always been above reproach. A detective is sent to them for the alleged purpose of buying a bill of goods, and he tells a story about wanting some beer, but not wishing to buy it himself or have a beer wagon stop before his door. This is all a lie, as events prove. The member of the firm, who is consulted about the matter, while refusing to sell the beer to him, for the very good and sufficient reason that he does not sell beer and has no license to sell it, agrees that if a person is licensed to sell it chooses to deliver it at the firm's store, he will send it to his customer's house with his groceries. Then the detective, seeing that he has not yet caught Mr. Johns in his trap, asks if he will not put the bill beer down in his bill, so that the delivery man will not forget to take it with him, and Mr. Johns, or his clerk, we are not sure which, consents to do so. The detective takes a copy of the bill, and departs, satisfied that he has the evidence to secure a conviction. Of course he has not, and the magistrate very properly so decides. Meanwhile the Messrs. Johns are put to the trouble of attending before the police court; they are given the unenviable notoriety attaching to a prosecution for an infraction of the law; they are temporarily branded as offenders and they are put to the expense of retaining counsel. To be sure the complaint against them is dismissed, but the firm has been injured in a manner that cannot be offset by an acquittal. They never should have been prosecuted in the first instance.

Now these are the observations, which we wish to make: The people who are responsible for this sort of thing may be animated by the best of motives, but if their method of action is any index to them, they are not; or perhaps, to put the matter in another way, they are very much misguided. As to the detective, upon whose information the complaint was laid, it is understood that he was imported from Seattle for the purpose of securing evidence against grocers. If men are known to be violating the law, we would not be inclined to be too exacting as to the means resorted to to punish them. But in these cases referred to there was no ground for action whatever. And any way, it is a pretty poor sort of moral reform that has to resort to immoral means to carry out its purposes. There is another point. It is to be assumed that some one passed upon the evidence of Milligan, the detective, before the prosecutions were instituted. Who that some one was we have, of course, no means of knowing; but whoever he was, it would be interesting to have him explain what he regards as criminal intent, for although the prosecutions are for misdemeanors only, intent is just as essential to a conviction as if the act charged constituted a felony. Some one is responsible for a great injustice being done good citizens. An order that the absolute freedom of Messrs. Johns Bros. from any offence or intention to commit one, we print the evidence for the defence in another column. The case of Mr. Watson, having been dismissed by the Magistrate immediately after the evidence was given, need not be specially referred to.

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS.

A few days ago a gentleman wrote the Times a letter, which that paper for reasons of its own did not print. Then he sent it to the Colonist, but omitted to enclose his card. For this reason we did not print it. Then he sent it again, and this time gave his own name. The subject matter was principally a definition of his views of Socialism, interesting enough and quite unobjectionable, but not particularly urgent. Having a score or so of other letters from correspondents, numerous news items of great interest and other matters, for which we were unable to find room, this correspondent's letter remained unprinted, but on file for publication at a convenient time. His spirit will not brook delay, and so he writes us again saying that he had sent a signed copy of letter to the gentleman, whose eye it was chiefly intended to meet, and he favors us with a brief dissertation on the freedom of the press and his own unhappy condition in life. We have a few observations to make about this sort of business, because it is just as well to make the matter clear.

The freedom of the press does not mean that any man has a right to publish in any newspaper he may select anything that he may choose to write. The editor and the proprietor of the paper have something to say about it. They have freedom to say what they shall and what they shall not publish and when it shall be published. The newspaper is not a hoarding upon which any man can post up what he chooses, but a business enterprise, which those controlling it endeavor to employ to the best advantage to themselves and the public. Every day many excellent things are offered to the Colonist for publication. Every day editorial articles are written and destroyed. Every day hard work done by reporters has to be discarded. Every day telegrams that cost money are thrown away. Every now and then a general sweep must be made of the editorial desk of excellent clippings that have been preserved in the hope that they can be published. Yet there are people, who think that the whole routine of a newspaper must be arrested in order to permit them to say something of no importance to any one but themselves, or

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as in this case, that they may save themselves the expense of a two-cent stamp to send what they have to say to some particular individual. And this particular correspondent writes us a letter bitterly complaining of the oppression of capitalism, as illustrated by the non-publication of his letter the day after he sent it in, although neither he nor the rest of mankind would suffer if it did not appear for six weeks, and he tells us that he is a "wage-slave," whatever that may be. We are very sorry for him, because it cannot be pleasant to be in such a frame of mind as he seems to have worked himself into. But perhaps he will derive some comfort from the fact that he is not the first man and will not be the last, the children of whose pen have not seen the light of publication as soon as they expected. Without going very far away from home, we could tell him of people who sent articles to periodicals twenty years ago and were paid for them, and have yet to see them in print; which may be very sad, but that seems to be the way in which the publishing business is conducted. Those things are printed first which seem the most timely, and sometimes timely articles keep crowding others out for so long a period that those that have been delayed finally find themselves in that bourne from which no MS. ever returns.

In a certain place, where men are wont to congregate, there appears a placard bearing this inscription: "Gentlemen will please take their own umbrellas." A gentleman always takes his own umbrella; that is he pretty nearly always does.

The efforts of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to cope with the fuel famine in the Central Provinces are deserving of praise, and we are glad to have reason to think they will prove successful. Now let steps be taken to prevent the possibility of the recurrence of such a danger.

The Times explains its error about that \$25.00 tax on settlers in Duncan. It arose from the hasty reading of a notice by the municipality to the effect that a license of \$12.50 for six months would be exacted from every real estate agent other than a barrister or solicitor. Now that this point has been cleared up, we assume that the procession may proceed.

The Minister of Justice has given a flat denial to the statement of Mr. Rufus Pope to the effect that a British Columbia judgeship was offered for sale. It is now up to Mr. Pope to justify his allegation or withdraw it. Mr. Pope has done yeoman's service in the Conservative party, but this does not excuse him for giving currency to a report so prejudicial to the good name of the courts, unless he has proof that he can make public.

The anti-Asiatic feeling, so manifest in Western America and Australia, seems likely to be a fruitful source of trouble both to the government of the United States and to that of the British Empire. As a matter of fact it is something that was inevitable. The white races were not content to let the yellow races alone, and as a result they find themselves much in the position of a man, who cannot refrain from poking a pole into a hornet's nest.

"One of the Mothers" writes a letter on a subject deserving of serious consideration. It is the practice of asking children at school to contribute to the cost of things, not necessarily connected with their school work. She makes her point very well, and we do not expect to add anything to it, but only to emphasize it. The custom of taking up collections in school for any purpose whatever is highly objectionable. We take no exception to children raising little purses among themselves, for in such cases they almost always have discretion enough to do it in a manner that causes no embarrassment to their fellows, who are unable to give anything. There is a sort of ethics of the playground that has a lot of good sound sense and camaraderie about it. Young people have a rugged sense of what is right and wrong, and while snobbery is not always as conspicuous by its absence as it ought to be, a child whose parents cannot afford to allow it to contribute to funds collected by the children themselves in their own informal way, is rarely made to feel humiliated. But it is otherwise when a teacher hands out a list, which the pupil has to take home. A line is at once drawn between those whose parents can afford to give and those whose parents cannot, and it is drawn openly and in the sight of the whole school. No teacher has a right to place a pupil in the humiliating position of having it made known before all the assembled school that his parents do not feel able to afford a small contribution to some school enterprise. Let it be remembered that our schools are public schools, not breeding places of snobbery. This evil grew very common in an eastern city, and it was checked by two parents of prominence in the community instructing their children to decline to subscribe, and to give as the reason that they were opposed to such contributions. Something of the same kind might work out the same result here.

WE SHALL ALL FLY.

The statement by Sir Hiram Maxim that the next year or two will witness startling developments in aerial navigation by means of flying machines, will tend to set more people thinking about the possibilities of this method of transportation and about the more general interest in the efforts of those who are seeking to solve the problem.—St. John Times.

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS

SAFETY AT SEA.

From the mass of carefully compiled shipping statistics one fact stands out clearly and at once arrests attention; it is, indeed, the leading inference or deduction from the tables as a whole. Briefly stated, it amounts to this—that year by year there is increased safety for life and property at sea.—Halifax Chronicle.

THE VALUE OF HURRY.

People complain that journalism must be frivolous or unreliable because it is done in a hurry. But all the serious things are done in a hurry. All the really reliable things are done in a hurry. A commercial decision involving millions is always made in a hurry. Serious things generally are done quickly; getting carried for instance, or getting hanged.—Belleville Intelligencer.

THE LAST OF THE LIST.

It is just about a century and a quarter since the "Boston Tea Party" business, commonly known as the American revolution, came to an end. But it is only a week or two since Uncle Sam closed his pension account for the business, or had it closed for him, by the death of the last beneficiary, who was the widow of one of the fighters, having when a very young woman married the warrior in his old age.—New Westminister News.

MR. SIFTON'S PATENT.

Signs are not wanting that Clifford Sifton will be taken back into Sir Wilfrid Laurier's cabinet either to replace Mr. Hyman or to fill another portfolio. Mr. Sifton is an able statesman, but without the ability to manage the affairs of office irrespective of graft and with advantages to one's friends that should never enter into the administration of public affairs. Mr. Sifton was a poor man a few years ago and today is reputed to be fabulously wealthy. How a man in public life can rise from poverty to affluence in a few years without some one suffering by reason of the transition is always a problem in political economy.—Nelson Canadian.

COMPULSORY VOTING.

Considerable comment has been made by many of the papers throughout Canada on the proposal to make voting at elections obligatory on every citizen entitled to vote. For refusing to vote the voter is to be fined or disfranchised for a term of years. To claim that compulsory voting will purge out political sins so common in parts of the country during election times is unwarranted optimism. The purchasable voter looking for the man with the party funds at his disposal will doubtless vote, but compulsion will not make him an honest man. The honest voter will be honest during an election, the dishonest voter looking for a bribe will ensure that bribe if it is possible to do so even at the risk of being exposed. A higher standard of honesty and morality will do more to cure election evils than any compulsory voting scheme.—Moosemin Spectator.

THE TARIFF CHANGES.

It will take time to comprehend the purport of the tariff changes announced to Parliament yesterday. At first blush these amendments do not appear to alter the situation materially. There is a slight lift here and little cut there, with the result that the situation is apparently not much changed. But it sometimes happens that a moderate alteration in a tariff affects business and industry to a very considerable extent. For this reason the scheme will have to be tested by experience.—Mail and Empire (Con.)

Of the new tariff submitted to Parliament yesterday, it is not possible to speak fully in this issue of the Free Press. The new schedules are somewhat formidable, and some calculation and consideration will be necessary before it will be possible to speak of their effects with authority.—Manitoba Free Press (Libs.)

HINDUS IN VANCOUVER.

The state in which these men were landed on our shores reflects no credit upon the persons who were responsible for their presence here. The story that they tell is one of deception and misery. They were induced on the representations of some unprincipled scoundrels who had preceded them to Vancouver to sell their belongings to secure passage money to this port. Most landed here without a cent. Some were sick and several have since died. All were ill-clad, and shivered with cold in a climate that was very different from that in which they were reared. Their conditions were such that it would have touched a heart of stone. They were gathered in condemned shacks that afforded them slight protection against the weather, their food was of the scantiest and as they gathered their thin rags about them and trudged through the streets and along the country roads they presented a picture of wretchedness for a Hogarth to depict.—Vancouver World.

THE NEW JUDGE.

The Dominion government has at last filled the vacancy on the bench of the Supreme Court of British Columbia caused by the translation of Mr. Justice Duff to the Supreme Court of Canada, by the appointment of Mr. Clement, judge of the County Court at Grand Forks. This, we believe, the first instance here of the promotion of a County Court judge to the Supreme Court bench, but the change having once been bridged we may anticipate that a precedent has been established that will be followed on occasions in the future. The intrusion on what has been regarded as the peculiar preserve of the leaders at the bar by the occupants of the County Court benches raises an interesting question as to the effect which the change may have on the requirements and qualifications of the members of the respective judicial spheres. Will it also have the result of causing some barristers to think that the County Court step-ladder to the higher tribunal has some features that make it more favorable than the straight dash from the bar to the Supreme Court bench? The incident also suggests other problems in legal and judicial biology.—News-Advertiser.

REFORESTATION.

In connection with the action of the New Brunswick government for the protection and preservation of its forests, it is instructive to note that so great has been the denudation of the New England watersheds that the American government has recently appropriated \$2,000,000 to set aside to national forest reserves in this region. The bill provides for an setting apart of 800,000 acres from which flow the five principal rivers, namely, the Connecticut, the Merrimack, the Androscoggin, the Sagadahoc, and the Piscataqua, with their important tributaries and enormous water power; and in the Appalachian Mountains, 4,500,000 acres, situated at the headwaters of the James, the Roanoke, the York, the Catawba, the two Broad, the Saluda, and the Chattooga, the Coosa and Chattahoochee, and the Kanawha and the Tennessee—this watershed receiving the heaviest rainfall east of the Sierras.

A course similar to this was followed by the French government in 1826, when it appropriated \$15,000,000 to purchase 400,000 acres of the deforested area; it has incurred for every forty years an annual expenditure of \$800,000 for reforestation and it must yet acquire an additional tract at a cost of \$20,000,000. Fortunately Canada has awakened to its danger before any such expensive process is necessary. If the present agitation for forest preservation is followed by energetic action we may, without any great outlay, provide for the maintenance in perpetuity of a lumber supply sufficient for all our demands.—St. John Sun.

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Local News

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School Trustees.—The regular monthly meeting of the board of school trustees will be held in the office of the secretary on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The date of the meeting has been altered from Wednesday to Monday to suit the convenience of several members of the board.

Prizes Unclaimed.—The ladies of the Anti-Tuberculosis Association have two sofa cushions on their hands that they could like to have the owners call for. The cushions were raffled on the last evening of the bazaar and won by Mrs. Elliot and Mrs. Paget, who may receive their prizes by calling on Mrs. (Dr.) Fagan.

Miss Cushing Dead.—The death is announced from Calgary of Miss Cushing, daughter of H. W. Cushing, minister of public works, Alberta. Miss Cushing accompanied her father to Victoria some time ago, and while here underwent an operation. She rallied sufficiently to return to Calgary, but shortly after reaching home began to fail.

St. Mark's Sale.—The lord bishop of the diocese will open the sale of work in St. Mark's parish room at 3 o'clock this afternoon. It is to be hoped there will be a large attendance, for the little members of the Guild of St. Agnes have been very busy for the past few weeks. This is the first sale at which they have had a booth of their own, and they hope it may in every way prove a success.

Trades Council.—At a meeting of the Trades and Labor Council, held on Wednesday evening, quite a lively discussion took place on the subject of Hindu immigration, resulting in the passing of a resolution requesting the Dominion government to enact a measure that will effectively stop the influx of this undesirable class. A resolution was also passed requesting the Dominion government to make such regulations as will ensure an eight-hour day to workmen on all public contracts.

Sanatorium Fund.—It is calculated that about \$2,300 has been cleared above all expenses, as a result of the recent fair conducted at the Drill hall under the auspices of the Anti-Tuberculosis society. Including the sum that has been offered conditionally by the Lieutenant-Governor, there has been collected so far as known something like \$35,000, which is considered a good start towards the erection of a sanatorium. A complete statement of the accounts of the fair will shortly be published.

Entrance Exams.—The Christmas High school entrance examinations will commence in the High school on Wednesday, Dec. 19th, and continue for five days. It is expected that the number who will endeavor to pass the examinations this year will be much smaller than in previous occasions. This has been caused by the addition of the Sub-High school, which has given the majority of the older pupils an opportunity to enter the High school without having to take the regular examinations.

Hall-McCrimmon.—At the residence of the bride's father, Tenneyson road, on Wednesday evening, Rev. Dr. Campbell solemnized the marriage of Mr. Newman Claude Hall of Vancouver, and Catherine Chestina, eldest daughter of Mr. D. F. McCrimmon, architect. The bridegroom was supported by Mr. John McLeod, and the bridesmaid was Miss Mary McCrimmon, the bride's sister. After the dinner, Mrs. Hall left by the Indianapolis to spend their honeymoon in the Sound cities, after which they will reside in the Terminal City.

Manson Endorsed.—On Saturday last a meeting of the Albert Liberal-Conservative association was held. It was well attended and most enthusiastic. W. Manson, M.P., was present and spoke upon some of the leading questions before the House last session. He was unanimously re-nominated as the standard-bearer for the government in the coming contest. Votes of full confidence in the policy of the government, and of hearty approval of the stand for "better terms" taken by the Premier at the recent conference in Ottawa, were passed.

Annual Meeting.—The annual meeting of the B. C. Agricultural association will be held this evening in the city hall. Several members from outside points have signified their intention of being present. The committee of management desire it to be understood that the meeting is open to all. Any citizen may attend the meeting, but cannot take part in the discussion until his membership fee has been paid. Several matters of importance will be discussed, and it is necessary for the success of the exhibition that there be a good attendance. The chair will be occupied by His Worship Mayor Morley and the meeting will be called to order at 8 o'clock.

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Eastern Capitalists Have Applied
for Leases at Esquimalt and
Albert Head

Application has been made to the Dominion government by a Massachusetts oyster cultivator and a New Brunswick capitalist, who were recently in this city, for leases of several oyster beds in the vicinity of Victoria, where they propose to engage in oyster cultivation on a large scale. Surveys have been made in Esquimalt harbor, and at Esquimalt and Albert Head lagoons, and the locations have been selected. When the leases are secured from Ottawa oysters will be planted at once.

It is proposed to bring one-year old oysters here in large quantities from Massachusetts and plant them in local waters. These oysters, which will be of the varieties popularly known as "eastern," will mature to full size in three years. It is expected that immense quantities will be grown, sufficient to supply not only the local market but the entire northwest.

Experts in oyster culture say the conditions here are good for cultivation and it is expected a large industry will be developed. At present the only other beds where oysters other than the small variety, such as is grown at Sooke, are cultivated, are located at Mud bay, near Vancouver. These have not yet matured sufficiently to permit of being placed on the market. There are also large beds at Bellingham bay and Willapa harbor, as well as at San Francisco bay.

St. John's Guild.—The Junior Guild of St. John's church will not meet again until after the new year. The date of the next meeting will be announced later.

Pioneer Visitor.—S. Brighthouse, of Lulu island, is in the city, having made a special trip to attend the Pioneer banquet which takes place this evening. Mr. Brighthouse arrived in British Columbia in 1892, crossed the Atlantic on the Great Eastern, landing at New York, thence proceeding to Aspinwall, crossing to Panama and taking the steamer to Portland. He then journeyed to Victoria and from this city headed for Cariboo. Returning from the mines, he took up land on Lulu island and ever since has resided there.

New "B. & K." Mills.—In its issue of Saturday last, the Calgary Herald had the following: "The new cereal mills of the Brackman-Ker Milling company are completed and commenced operation today. They are the most complete and up-to-date in Canada, and have been erected and equipped at a cost of \$100,000. The new mills will manufacture all kinds of cereal and breakfast foods, which will be known as the B. & K. breakfast foods. This is another important addition to Calgary's growing list of great industries."

New Y. M. C. A. Home.—The special committee of the Y. M. C. A. appointed to look into the matter of a building site report having secured a short time option on a valuable piece of property at a reasonable figure. At a meeting of the board of directors held on Wednesday evening, a letter was read from the agents of the building at present occupied by the Y. M. C. A. announcing the expiration of the lease in few months. The president, H. A. Knott, and A. D. Brace, general manager, were appointed a finance committee with power to add to their numbers, to develop plans for financing the new building.

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Finding his present premises, 62 Yates street, entirely too small for his steadily increasing business, Mr. John Fullerton has leased the handsome and commodious store lately occupied by Fred. G. Maynard, "Promis, Blois," 46 Government street. It is Mr. Fullerton's intention to make this the lending and most up-to-date Boot and Shoe Store in the city, if not in the province.

In another column will be found the announcement of the drawing to take place Christmas week for the fine new winter Touring Car. Tickets are selling at one dollar, which are obtainable from Hutchison Bros., Army & Navy Cigar Store, J. Worthington's Cigar Store, Tourist Cafe, Grotto, Hub Cigar Store, Garriks Head, and Driand Bar.

Although there has been a scarcity in smoked fish for the past few weeks, W. O. Wallace has been able to procure a good supply of splendid Yarmouth boaters and kippered herring, which he is offering at a bit of a pound, as shown in his ad. on page 2 of this paper.

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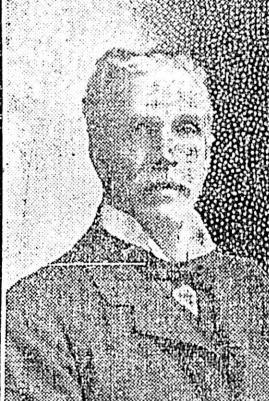
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OUTLINES NEEDS OF THE FISHERIES

Text of Recommendations Made by Commissioner of State of Washington

The fisheries commission of the state of Washington, following the joint convention with the Canadian commission, has issued a report, in which the following recommendations are made to the legislature of the state of Washington:

First—That a weekly close season shall be maintained in the waters of Puget Sound commencing at 6 p. m. Friday and ending at 6 a. m. the following Sunday of each week in each year.

Second—That it shall be unlawful to fish for sockeye salmon in the waters of Puget Sound between August 25 and September 15 of each year, and that any salmon of that species taken in the traps on the Sound between said dates shall be liberated.

Third—That during the weekly close season, as above specified, all pound nets or traps operated on Puget Sound shall be closed by an apron placed across the entrance to the heart of the trap or pound net, which apron shall extend from above the surface of the water to the bottom of the Sound at the place where the trap is maintained and be connected securely to webbing or piles on either side of the entrance to the heart so as to effectually prevent any salmon from entering the heart or pot of the trap.

Fourth—That the minimum penalty for a violation of the fisheries laws of the state of Washington shall be \$250 and the maximum penalty \$1000 and penal clause from thirty days to one year.

Fifth—That means shall be provided in the state of Washington for the maintenance during the sockeye season of an effective patrol of the sockeye fishing grounds to the end that the laws may be effectively administered.

ST. ANDREW'S BROTHERHOOD.

Proceedings at Western Conference Held on Monday.

On Sunday and Monday last a Western conference of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood was held in Vancouver. Splendidly attended services were held in all the city churches on Sunday morning, and in the afternoon a mass meeting was held in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, when the Rev. J. P. D. Llywd of Seattle gave a very stirring address.

On Monday morning Rev. J. P. D. Llywd, in speaking about the "Future of the Brotherhood," pointed out that the future depended upon loyalty to the true principles of the brotherhood, i.e., prayer and personal work; clubs and other social institutions were outside brotherhood work. What was needed today was personal work between man and man, not merely an invitation to come to church, but a following up of a man, a sticking to him, and when you have got him, make him realize that he is responsible for the man next him. Mr. Llywd was followed by J. A. Birmingham, who gave a glowing account of the work which had been done through British Columbia and Alberta. This speaker also read a letter of congratulation from the secretary of the United Chapters of Victoria, which was received with applause. In the afternoon the Rev. G. H. Wilson spoke upon the advisability of forming junior chapters in connection with Sunday schools. These boys, he said, could do a splendid work by refusing to leave Sunday school and by bringing other boys to the school.

The Rev. H. St. G. Buttrum spoke of the grand work done in the parish of a chapter of St. Andrew's Brotherhood. G. Ward Kemp gave a very inspiring address on the brotherhood at large.

In the evening the Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard spoke upon the "Rule of Prayer." He pointed out that if the rule of service was to be effective, prayer was a necessity. Prayer, said the speaker, did not consist of mere empty words, but was a projecting outwards and upwards of the spirit of man until it touched the great Father Spirit—God.

After T. Charles Strongman had spoken upon the "Rule of Prayer," giving many directions of what had and had not been done, the conference was brought to a close.

The Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard, speaking on behalf of the Victoria chapters, invited the conference to meet next spring in the city of Victoria.

LOGS ARE SCARCE.

No Market Price Quoted by Dealers—Mills Glutted With Orders.

There is no market price on logs, because they are so scarce and the demand is so heavy they are selling anywhere from \$10 to \$15 per thousand feet. There is not a logger in the country who is not making money and the outlook for the lumber industry and lumbering was never better since the Vancouver Province.

All the lumber mills on the British Columbia coast have orders ahead for months, and in a number of cases large contracts have been refused on account of the pressure of business. Many of the mills would run nights as well as day were it possible to secure logs.

The lumbering industry is in such a healthy condition that enormous amounts of outside capital are being attracted to the coast. Much of this money is coming from the American side and is being put into timber lands and the building of the completion of the Panama canal will put mills here on a better footing as far as the markets of the United Kingdom, Continent and South Africa are concerned. When sailing vessels and steamers can slip from tide-water to tide-water and the lumber of the coast will become enormous. Then distance to markets will be cut in half, freights will be largely reduced and insurance will be cut a third, and there will be more trade than ever.

Some loggers do not expect that the output of logs during the present month will be much more than 20,000,000 feet on the British Columbia coast. This is about half what the mills could consume. Not in many years has there been such a demand for lumber with such a coincident scarcity of logs.

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URGENT READJUSTMENT OF COASTAL LAWS

Important Action Taken at Meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade

At the monthly general meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade, held on Tuesday last, the council recommended that the Dominion government be memorialized to cancel the order in council suspending the coastal laws as applied to the Pacific coast.

Mr. McMillan thought they should be very careful in dealing with this question. He, for one, would be opposed to supporting such a motion.

Mr. McLennan explained that at the time of the Klondike rush, the C. P. R. coastal service was found inadequate, and they found trade was going all to Seattle, so they asked that American boats be allowed to call in and carry Canadian goods. Now, however, the town of Prince Rupert was starting up, and the question was should they allow the American boats to take the Canadian goods there and out not only the C. P. R., but also all the local shipping firms?

Mr. McMillan said the C. P. R. could look after themselves, and he thought things should be allowed to remain as they were.

Mr. Malkin said that he did not think the C. P. R. would allow the trade to go to Seattle on account of lower rates. He thought the time had come when they should keep Canadian goods in Canadian bottoms. If the order were not cancelled it would mean that goods for Prince Rupert would go via Seattle by American boats. He moved that the board request that the Dominion order in council suspending the coastal laws as applied to British Columbia be rescinded.

Mr. Tisdall seconded the motion. Mr. McMillan said there was nothing in the argument of Mr. Malkin. The fact was that every merchant in Vancouver took advantage of the American boats calling here. If they did not approve of it why did they patronize them? Mr. Malkin's motion was carried, Mr. McMillan voting "No."

B. C. FRUIT INSPECTION.

Policy Adopted by Province Is Enforced in Oregon Courts.

A short time ago reference was made to the operations of the Oregon State Board of Horticulture, in dealing with infected fruit trees and fruit. The provincial fruit inspector pointed out in an interview that the Oregon authorities are making very earnest efforts to recover the good reputation which Oregon had in the markets of the world for the production of fruit of the highest quality, but had lost this in recent years through the carelessness and slovenly methods of the fruit growers, who unfortunately were mostly farmers.

That a very satisfactory reformation

is now in progress, will be seen by the following reports of two law-suits which have recently been decided by the Oregon courts, and reported in the Oregon Agriculturist of Dec. 1, kindly submitted by Fruit Inspector Cunningham with a request that the information be published for the benefit of the British Columbia fruit growers:

Portland, Oregon, Dec. 1, 1906.

"A suit was brought against Commissioner Reid of the Oregon State Board of Horticulture, last winter because he had destroyed a number of infected fruit trees belonging to Mr. Wills, of Clackamas county, who, after due notice, had failed to either cleanse or destroy the trees. The suit was tried a few days before Judge McBride and resulted in a victory for Mr. Reid and the State Board of Horticulture. A somewhat parallel case has occurred in Multnomah county. Mr. Broetje, of Mount Tabor, brought fruit upon the market which County Inspector Deich found to be infected with San Jose scale and codling moth. Mr. Deich told Mr. Broetje that the fruit could not be sold and that if it was offered for sale it would be treated with kerosene. Mr. Broetje thereupon took the fruit home and obtained a temporary injunction against Mr. Deich prohibiting him from treating with kerosene any fruit offered for sale by Mr. Broetje until the matter should be tried in court. The case came on for trial a few days ago, and was tried before Judge Fraser. It was found that the fruit was infected, and that Inspector Deich had authority under the law to destroy such fruits. The kerosene bottle will, therefore, be in use again. It thoroughly destroys the insects which infect fruit and practically destroys the fruit. The two decisions upholding the action of the horticultural authorities of the state are most encouraging to all who are interested in the development of the fruit growing industry."

The foregoing decisions, although given in a foreign court, are of great importance to the horticultural authorities of this province, who have to deal with similar questions as the conditions prevailing in Western Oregon are practically the same as in British Columbia, and must be dealt with in the same way. Considering the immense development of the fruit growing industry not only on the Mainland but on Vancouver Island, where it is proposed to clear one hundred and fifty thousand acres of land, admirably adapted to fruit growing, it should be spared in keeping the quality of our fruit and conditions of the orchards up to the highest standard.

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December 3rd, 1906.

T. J. JONES,
President

NOTICE!

B. C. PIONEER SOCIETY'S ANNUAL DINNER

HOTEL BRIARD

Friday, 7th inst., at 8:30 p. m.
Tickets can be had from committee, R. Hall, M.P.P.; Postmaster, Shakespeare, H. D. Helmick, B.C.P.; E. Penrose, J.P.; W. Harrison, E. J. Wall, C. E. Redfern, J. A. Douglas, J. Robertson, B. Maguire, E. C. Johnson, A. Graham, Secretary.

Municipality of the District of Oak Bay

NOTICE

By Order,
J. S. FLOYD, Clerk

Consumptive Sanatorium Building Fund

One hundred thousand dollars (100,000) asked for—fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) needed, to entitle committee to Hon. James Dunsmuir's grant of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
Is a Consumptive Sanatorium needed? During the month of September of this year a boy nineteen years old became consumptive. He lived in a hotel and was dependent on his mother, a widow laborer. As a result of his disease he was turned out of three hotels and refused admission to a public hospital. The boy is now dead. A man who befriended the boy wrote as follows: "God have mercy on us for our neglect of such cases. Need we further ask, is this institution needed?"

The death-roll from consumption in Canada exceeds twelve thousand yearly; and in British Columbia it is over two hundred.

The number of persons invalided from consumption is authoritatively estimated to be five times as great as the number of deaths therefrom; therefore, we have some sixty thousand invalids in Canada, and a thousand in British Columbia.

We have, therefore, before us the appalling fact that yearly we lose the benefit of the services and earning powers of thousands of citizens who are incapacitated by illness, and others we lose outright by death, through this one cause, and that a preventable cause. This is something to set political economists thinking very seriously. It is a responsibility too vast to be measured by mere figures, or described in mere language.

No fanciful theories, untried methods, or more experiments are proposed. The simple, God-given remedies, viz.: Fresh air, suitable food, rest and exercise, under expert supervision, and suitable, cheerful surroundings, have more than proved their efficiency. Practically speaking, these facilities are obtainable only in a sanatorium.

A further advantage connected with such an institution is that the admission of a patient means the removal of one source of contagion from the general community; and when, after treatment, such person is returned cured, or otherwise, to the ranks of the public, he or she is an educational centre of first importance, because the first principle impressed on a patient on entering a sanatorium is the care he should exercise in his personal habits; the necessity of cleanliness, for care in disposal of anything about him which would spread, or even be likely to spread, contagion; in a word, he is persistently taught to move and live so that no other human being shall be likely in the remotest sense to suffer on account of any thoughtlessness on his part in the care of himself. Such a person, when discharged from the institution, is by his training in the sanatorium, not only impressed with the necessity for cleanliness, but careful, but because of his knowledge so gained, he comes in his family and general surroundings an educational influence infinitely more effective than all the literature and arguments of physicians and authorities on the subject.

The conditions as to consumption are not only fully understood, but are well recognized, and it is now an accepted fact that consumption is preventable and may be cured, or its course arrested. That being the case, it is our duty to endeavor, in any case, to stem the progress of this sacrifice of human beings.

It is proposed to build a sanatorium in British Columbia. The provincial government are prepared to assist, and the people generally, through local societies formed all over the country, are willing to maintain. You are asked to help us to build. Action, immediate action, is imperative, if we wish to stem this awful tide of mortality, and extend to any longer a tantamount to being willing participants in something worse than race suicide.

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THE STAGE

Florence Roberts Coming

The management of the Victoria theatre announces for Dec. 10 Miss Florence Roberts and her company in her latest success, "The Strength of the Weak," the play that she took to the city of New York last spring, and with which she scored the triumph of her career. The play is said to be modern; the scenes are laid in a fashionable girls' school of the East, where the story opens with Miss Roberts introduced as the class valedictorian. Surrounded by a splendid company, she gives, so it is said, one of the most finished performances of the long list that she has offered in this section. The play is a pretty stage story, and, according to the critics of the East, it has been worked out in a very capable manner. The fact that it was written for Miss Roberts, and is the first play that the talented lady has offered as original work, will add much interest. It is said that she will after this season begin a new regime in her career, having contracted with her present manager, John Cort, to produce at least one new play each year. The present tour is a limited one, and includes only the better of the Western cities. At the conclusion of which Miss Roberts will return to New York and produce a play that is now in the course of construction for her. On the occasion of her appearance here, she will be seen with the same company that she had in the city of New York.

Lecture Tonight

The indications are favorable for a crowded house when Rev. Dr. W. S. Crockett lectures this evening at Institute hall on "Sir Walter Scott and the Scotchman," his book upon which has gone through several editions, and is rated an authoritative classic in biographical literature. Dr. Crockett has already lectured in Vancouver and Nanaimo since coming to the coast, and the papers of these neighbor cities have published very appreciative references. The lecture may be described as a beautifully illustrated and fascinating biography of the great Scottish poet and romancer, upwards of 130 beautiful stereoscopic pictures being used, as well as a number of appropriate moving pictures presenting life as it is in the country made immortal by the "Wizard of the North." It is to be hoped that no one who is a lover of books or of the Scotch country will miss the opportunity of enjoying the picture gallery and lecture at the same time doing honor to a literary lion of the land.

Comedy at Empress

One of the best comedy hits of the season was presented last night by the Empress company, and it would seem that each part had been written for the different members of the cast, so well did they sustain their individual roles. This, in addition to the fact that this is one of the funniest comedies of the present age, made the play go in a most favorable manner. The title of the piece is "The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown," and they are indeed strange adventures. Miss Brown is in reality a captain in the English army, and is married to a young girl on the quiet. His wife is still in boarding school and is compelled to remain there in order that her marriage may not be discovered. The husband, tiring of her absence, dons female attire and becomes a pupil at the same school, where he is taken for a girl, and remains at school until he can effect his wife's escape. The play at all times is humorous, and keeps the audience in a constant uproar. Mr. Cyril appears as Miss Brown, and plays the part well. Miss Knutvold is his wife in the play, and her conception of the comedy and the manner in which she portrayed the character demonstrates that comedy is her stronghold. Mr. Hooley and Mr. Ashley were also funny, and the remainder of the cast did full justice to their parts. This play will continue for the remainder of the week with a matinee on Saturday, at which time the schoolgirls will get an opportunity to learn something of the funny side of boarding school life.

The Best Yet

The best lecture yet ever seen on the coast, is the verdict of all who have attended the New Grand this week. The whole show is good.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office.
25th to 31st of December, 1906.

The weather during this week was for the most part cloudy and unsettled, although in this portion of Vancouver Island and the rainfall was small. Frosts were reported in this vicinity on the 25th and 26th, and on the lower mainland on the first three days. Until the last day of the week there has been a remarkable absence of storm along the coast. This has been chiefly due to the prevalence of high barometric areas to the northwest of Vancouver Island, and by Monday, 2nd, barometric pressure was 30.1 inches at the coast and the temperature was 48 below zero. This pronounced cold wave gradually spread southward and by the 4th Dr. Simpson reported severe frosts and some snow and Cariboo had a snowfall of 21 inches. On the 4th zero temperatures appeared in Alberta and gradually spread westward in Manitoba accompanied by light snowfalls. By night of the 4th an important ocean storm area spread inland across Vancouver Island, and caused a southerly gale along the coast and strong southeasterly winds on the Straits and Sound accompanied by a general rainfall.

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utes, rain .09 inches, highest temperature 48.1 on 3rd; lowest 30.4 on 29th.
Vancouver:—Rain .45 inches, highest temperature 47 on 3rd, lowest 28 on 28th.
New Westminster:—Rain .40 inches, highest temperature 46 on 3rd and 4th, lowest 29 on 28th.
Kamloops:—No rain or snow, highest temperature 40 on 4th, lowest 24 on 28th, 29th and 30th.
Barberthorpe:—Snow 24 inches, highest temperature 36 on 4th, lowest 14 on 28th.
Port Simpson:—Rain 2.44 inches, highest temperature 49 on 30th, lowest 32 on 3rd and 4th.
Athol:—Snow 42 inches, highest temperature 32 on 28th, lowest 16 below on 3rd.
Dawson:—No rain or snow, highest temperature 2 on 1st, lowest 18 below on 4th.

FINANCIAL

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Dec. 6.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange today:
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Tenders are invited for Fifteen (15) pairs of Police Pants as per the accompanying specification.

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E. Booth, Montreal; J. S. Breeze, Vancouver; Jno. E. Bainford, New York; W. A. Cutler, Seattle; A. E. Gilsa, and wife, Winnipeg; F. W. Weston, Toronto; L. W. Shafford, Hedy; J. J. Donnellan, Seattle.

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Andrew Chisholm, Duncan; Mr. and Mrs. Fleming, J. F. Waite, Mr. and Mrs. Biggie, Vancouver; Capt. A. F. Yates, Nanaimo; W. Fargie, Tacoma; J. Healy, Thomas, Nelson and family, Seattle; Victor Hansen and family, A. W. Neill, Alberni; F. V. Hobbs, Port Renfrew; Capt. R. Butler, H. A. Green; W. J. Ramsdell; A. F. Gartin; Dr. and Mrs. Workman, New Westminster; W. G. Man-

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., Dec. 6.
SYNOPSIS.

An important ocean storm area is centered off Vancouver Island. It is causing a heavy southerly gale on the coast. Northward reports a wind velocity of 76 miles an hour. Heavy rains and melting snow have been general over this island and the lower mainland, while in Kootenay snow continues to fall. Intense cold prevails over Northern British Columbia and in the Yukon 50 below zero is reported. From Alberta to Manitoba the temperature is from 30 below to 14 below zero.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	31	37
Vancouver	35	39
New Westminster	36	38
Kamloops	22	26
Barcelonville	22	26
Port Simpson	20	24
Albion	28	32
Dawson	50	56
Calgary	18	24
Winnipeg	11	19
Portland, Ore.	28	38
San Francisco	41	58

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time) Friday:
Victoria and vicinity: Strong winds or gales from the westward, unsettled

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For Values \$35, \$37.50, \$40, \$45 and \$60 in Ladies' Costumes Today

Owing to recent appreciation, we shall again offer a few Ladies' Costumes in all the latest imported modes, at a price that cannot fail to attract. The values of these costumes are exceptional. They are made in silk velvets, Venetian cloths, tweeds, serges, etc. Values, \$35.00, \$37.50, \$40.00, \$45.00, \$60.00. Today, \$17.50.

Ladies' Black Fancy Serge Costumes, tight-fitting coat, trimmed with stitched straps, fancy buttons, velvet collar and cuffs, taffeta lined, pleated skirt; regular \$37.50. Sale price.....**\$17.50**

Ladies' Navy Blue Venetian Cloth Costume, pony coat with small vest, trimmed with fancy braid, lined with taffeta silk, tucked skirt with wide silk braid round edge; regular \$40.00. Sale price.....**\$17.50**

Ladies' Blue Eton Costume, Venetian cloth, edged with white Valenciennes lace, tucked back and front, white girdle, pleated skirt; regular \$40.00. Sale price.....**\$17.50**

Ladies' Green Venetian Cloth, semi-fitting, hip length coat, stitched straps back and front, hip pockets, lined with taffeta silk, velvet collar and cuffs; regular \$40.00. Sale price.....**\$17.50**

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Wine Colored Costume, tight-fitting hip length coat, collar of white broadcloth, braid trimming and pleated skirts; regular \$45.00. Sale price.....**\$17.50**

Ladies' Silk Velvet Costume, short hip length coat with black silk braid back and front, collar edged with burned orange and blue velvet, elbow sleeves, braided in front for military effect, tucked skirt trimmed with black silk braid; regular \$60.00. Sale price.....**\$17.50**

Ladies' Navy Blue Serge Costume, coat trimmed in front with white silk and braid to give vest effect, trimmed silk braid, box-pleated skirt; regular \$37.50. Sale price.....**\$17.50**

Ladies' Grey Tweed Costume, tight-fitting hip length coat, trimmed with stitched straps and silk braid, velvet stitched collar, skirt stitched, with silk straps and tabs; regular \$35.00. Sale price.....**\$17.50**

Ladies' Dress Goods Today

75c For values \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 in Ladies' Dress Goods today. Great Clearance Sale of Venetian and Amazon Cloths, 800 yards only: also Fine Texture Cloths with small invisible check effect, 150 yards only. The above are all Pure Wool French Materials, absolutely this season's goods. Widths from 44 to 48 inches. Positive values \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00. Today, per yard.....**75c**

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A number of Boys' Single and Double Breasted Three-Piece Suits; large assortment in tweeds; actual value \$5.50. Today, each.....**\$3.25**

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Misses', Boys' and Childrens Ribbed Winter Hose, cotton and wool mixture, sizes 6 to 9 inches. Special price tomorrow and Saturday.....**25c**

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Secure a useful Christmas present while you have such an opportunity as is offered you today. Five dozen only. Made in serviceable silks with gold, silver and pearl mounts; values \$10 and \$15. At, each.....**\$7.50**

Shetland Floss Knitting Wool—We have just received a parcel of this splendid wool, in all colors. Per skein.....**7c**

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We have just received a splendid shipment of all-over lace, in colors white, ecru and cream; price per yard 50c, 65c and 75c. This lace is very suitable for the attractive and fashionable blouses now so much worn for evening wear.

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with occasional sleet or rain. Lower Mainland: Strong winds or gales on the Gulf, unsettled with occasional rain or sleet.

CLOSE SHINGLE MILLS.

Declared Wages Are So High That Business Is Unprofitable.

It is understood that all local shingle-mills will shut down on Dec. 22, and remain closed for a period of six weeks, says the Vancouver Province. A prominent millman, talking on the subject this morning, said that while concerted action on the point had not been taken, it was generally understood among the mills that such a step was advisable,

and the plan would be followed by all local mills. This was the dull time of the year in the business, and there was a need of repairing the plants, which would be taken advantage of.

One of the primary causes of the shutdown, however, might be ascribed to the scarcity of labor, which is very marked at the moment. It was so difficult to get men to work in the woods that the price of shingle bolts had gone skyward, so that the millmen said it was impossible to operate the mills at the present figure. It was possible that the shutdown would have the effect of advancing the price of shingles, but there was no certainty on this point.

The shutdown is also planned for the other side of the line, only there the

duration will be longer. D. W. Bass of the Washington shinglemen, was recently in the city, and reported that all mill in his state would be closed from December 15 to February 15. Among the factors in inducing the owners to this action there, are the conditions as to car supply, the unsettled traffic conditions resultant from the recent floods, and the large supply of finished product already on hand. It is felt in Washington that only a lengthy shutdown would save the market from demoralization.

Specified the Pastor.—At the conclusion of the usual weekly prayer meeting at the Metropolitan Methodist church last evening, those present preceded the pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams, to the

parsonage and "surprised" him on his return home. A very pleasant evening was spent in a social way with innocent games.

Unpleasant Experience.—A resident of James Bay, returning home from the theatre last evening, was the victim of what might have been a serious accident. The lady was a passenger on the Heaven Hill car, and on alighting at the corner of Suzies and Niagara streets, stepped into a large hole that had been caused by a break in a drain. Luckily she escaped with nothing more than a severe wetting.

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